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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, v. ALFONSO SEGURA-FIGUEROA, Defendant.	CRIM. CASE NO. 07CR3217-LAB DATE: January 14, 2008 TIME: 2:00 p.m. STATEMENT OF FACTS AND MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNMENT'S MOTIONS FOR RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY AND TO COMPEL FINGERPRINT EXEMPLARS

COMES NOW, the plaintiff, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by and through its counsel, KAREN P. HEWITT, United States Attorney, and Luella M. Caldito, Assistant United States Attorney, hereby files the attached statement of facts and memorandum of points and authorities in support of Government's motion for reciprocal discovery and fingerprint exemplars.

I

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

On November 28, 2007, a federal grand jury in the Southern District of California returned a two-count Indictment charging Alfonso Segura-Figueroa ("Defendant") with Deported Alien Found In the United States, in violation of Title 8, United States Code, Section 1326. The Indictment further alleged that Defendant had been removed from the United States subsequent to July 13, 2004.

II

STATEMENT OF FACTS

A. THE INSTANT OFFENSE

On November 6, 2007, at approximately 1:40 a.m., United States Border Patrol Agent Gustavo Rivera was performing line watch duties near an area known as Del Rio Ranch. This area is approximately 18 miles east of the Tecate, California Port of Entry and approximately 1 mile north of the United States/Mexico international border. While in the area, Agent Rivera found footprints leading into the brush. Agent Rivera followed the footprints and encountered a group of 9 individuals. All of these individuals, including defendant Segura-Figueroa, were hiding in the surrounding brush.

Agent Rivera approached the individuals and conducted a field interview. All nine individuals, including Defendant, admitted that they were citizens and nationals of Mexico without any legal documentation to enter or remain in the United States.

Defendant was arrested and transported to the Campo Border Patrol Station where his fingerprints were entered into a routine records check system. Defendant's identity was confirmed, along with his criminal and immigration histories.

At approximately 6:00 a.m., Defendant was advised of his Miranda rights, which he acknowledge and waived. In a post-Miranda interview, Defendant admitted that he was a citizen and national of Mexico without any immigration documents to allow him to enter or remain in the United States. Defendant admitted that he knowingly entered the United States through an unfenced portion of the international boundary at approximately 1:10 p.m. on November 6, 2007.

B. DEFENDANT'S IMMIGRATION HISTORY

Defendant is a citizen of Mexico who was ordered deported by an Immigration Judge on or about May 23, 2007. Based on that order, Defendant was physically removed from the United States on June 8, 2007, through the San Ysidro, California Port of Entry.

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GOVERNMENT'S MOTIONS

A. MOTION FOR RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY

A. RULE 16(b)

The United States, pursuant to Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, requests that Defendant permit the United States to inspect, copy, and photograph any and all books, papers, documents, photographs, tangible objects, or make copies of portions thereof, which are within the possession, custody or control of Defendant and which Defendant intends to introduce as evidence in his case-in-chief at trial.

The United States further requests that it be permitted to inspect and copy or photograph any results or reports of physical or mental examinations and of scientific tests or experiments made in connection with this case, which are in the possession or control of Defendant, which Defendant intends to introduce as evidence-in-chief at the trial, or which were prepared by a witness whom Defendant intends to call as a witness. Because the United States has complied with Defendant's request for delivery of reports of examinations, the United States is entitled to the items listed above under Rule 16(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. The United States also requests that the Court make such order as it deems necessary under Rules 16(d)(1) and (2) to ensure that the United States receives the discovery to which it is entitled.

2. RULE 26.2

Rule 26.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure requires the production of prior statements of all witnesses, except a statement made by Defendant. This rule thus provides for the reciprocal production of Jencks statements.

The time frame established by the rule requires the statement to be provided after the witness has testified. To expedite trial proceedings, the United States hereby requests that Defendant be ordered to supply all prior statements of defense witnesses by a reasonable date before trial to be set by the Court. Such an order should include any form in which these statements are memorialized, including but not limited to, tape recordings, handwritten or typed notes and/or reports.

B. Motion to Compel Fingerprint Exemplars

The Government requests that Defendant be ordered to make himself available for fingerprint exemplars at a time and place convenient to the Government's fingerprint expert. See United States v. Kloepper, 725 F. Supp. 638, 640 (D. Mass. 1989) (the District Court has "inherent authority" to order a defendant to provide handwriting exemplars, fingerprints, and palmprints). Since the fingerprint exemplars are sought for the sole purpose of proving Defendant's identity, rather for than investigatory purposes, the Fourth Amendment is not implicated. The Ninth Circuit in United States v. Ortiz-Hernandez, 427 F.3d 567, 576-79 (9th Cir. 2005), upheld the Government's ability to compel a defendant to submit to fingerprinting for purposes of identification at trial. See United States v. Garcia-Beltran, 389 F.3d 864, 866-68 (9th Cir. 2004) (citing United States v. Parga-Rosas, 238 F.3d 1209, 1215 (9th Cir. 2001)). Furthermore, an order requiring Defendant to provide fingerprint exemplars does not infringe on Defendant's Fifth Amendment rights. See Schmerber v. California, 384 U.S. 757, 770-71 (1966) (the Fifth Amendment privilege "offers no protection against compulsion to submit to fingerprinting"); Williams v. Schario, 93 F.3d 527, 529 (8th Cir. 1996) (the taking of fingerprints in the absence of Miranda warnings did not constitute testimonial incrimination as proscribed by the Fifth Amendment).

IV

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the United States requests that the Government's Motions be granted.

DATED: December 26, 2007.

Respectfully Submitted,

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, v. ALFONSO SEGURA-FIGUEROA, Defendant.	Case No. 07CR3217-LAB CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT:

I, LUELLA M. CALDITO, am a citizen of the United States and am at least eighteen years of age. My business address is 880 Front Street, Room 6293, San Diego, California 92101-8893.

I am not a party to the above-entitled action. I have caused service of GOVERNMENT'S NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND MOTIONS FOR RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY AND TO COMPEL FINGERPRINT EXEMPLARS on the following parties by electronically filing the foregoing with the Clerk of the District Court using its ECF System, which electronically notifies them.

1. Kurt Hermansen

I hereby certify that I have caused to be mailed the foregoing, by the United States Postal Service, to the following non-ECF participants on this case:

None

the last known address, at which place there is delivery service of mail from the United States Postal Service.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 26, 2007.

/s/ Luella M. Caldito
LUELLA M. CALDITO